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LOK SABHA

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CONCEPT OF GREEN UNDER RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has defined the concept of `greening` and identified a broad set of `green` outcomes;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has identified any specific `green` results that can be achieved through the various rural development programmes and whether any action plan have been drawn up to achieve the same; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINSTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI PRADEEP JAIN `ADITYA`)

(a)to(d): The list of activities in Schedule- I (Para 1B) of the Mahtma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (given in Annexure) addresses causes of chronic poverty and contribute to develop green area.

Annexure
List of activities included in Schedule-I (Para 1B) of MGNREG Act.

(i) water conservation and water harvesting including contour trenches, contour bunds, boulder checks, gabion structures, underground dykes, earthen dams, stop dams and springshed development;

(ii) drought proofing including afforestation and tree plantation;

(iii) irrigation canals including micro and minor irrigation works;

(iv) provision of irrigation facility, dug out farm pond, horticulture, plantation, farm bunding and land development;

(v) renovation of traditional water bodies including desilting of tanks;

(vi) land development;

(vii) flood control and protection works including drainage in water logged areas including deepening and repairing of flood channels, chaur renovation, construction of storm water drains for coastal protection;

(viii) rural connectivity to provide all weather access, including culverts and roads within a village, wherever necessary;

(ix) construction of Bharat Nirman Rajiv Gandhi Sewa Kendra as Knowledge Resource Centre at the Block level and as Gram Panchayat Bhawan at the Gram Panchayat level;

(x) agriculture related works, such as, NADEP composting, vermi-composting, liquid bio-manures;

(xi) livestock related works, such as, poultry shelter, goat shelter, construction of pucca floor, urine tank and fodder trough for cattle, azolla as cattle-feed supplement;

(xii) fisheries related works, such as, fisheries in seasonal water bodies on public land;

(xiii) works in coastal areas, such as, fish drying yards, belt vegetation;

(xiv) rural drinking water related works, such as, soak pits, recharge pits;

(xv) rural sanitation related works, such as, individual household latrines, school toilet units, anganwadi toilets, solid and liquid waste management;

(xvi) any other work which may be notified by the Central Government in consultation with the State Government.